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## RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 18, 2007

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Dear Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the non-final Office action having a mail date of October 18, 2007. The fee for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith Please amend the application as follows:

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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